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**WE'RE NUMBER ONE!** Elk Point Bantam Sox edged out Beaumont BoSox in a 13-12 nail-biter to win the AA Bantam Tier 4 Provincials this weekend at the newly proclaimed Wilson Field.

# Sox win gold at Wilson Field

**VICKI BROOKER**  
Review Staff

Four teams, countless spectators and a tireless contingent of volunteers were on hand Friday night for the opening ceremonies of the 2016 AA Bantam Tier 4 Provincial Championship tournament.

They were all there "For the love of the game," but perhaps few in the crowd love it more than long-time minor ball supporter Laverne Wilson, who was very surprised to discover that the diamond had been named in his honor.

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**SIGN OF RESPECT** - Bantam Sox coach Dennell Anderson and manager Doug Bassett present deserving volunteer Laverne Wilson with a replica of the sign declaring the diamond 'Wilson Field'.

# Town's new campground policy tweaked

**VICKI BROOKER**  
Review Staff

Elk Point town council amended the campground policy they passed back in April of this year, after realizing that it did not reflect the existence of both powered and non-powered sites at both the Recreation Park campground and the River Park.

Individual rates for powered sites are now listed as \$25 per night and non-powered sites as \$20 per night for both campgrounds.

The only exception is the special group camping rate of \$150 per team per weekend for teams taking part in provincial tournaments. Requests for the group camping must be made to the Elk Point Golf and Country Club at least 14 days before the site is required

and must include the number of units to be accommodated and the contact information for the group. The group rate would not be available if the date the site is required conflicts with other recreational or cultural events to be held at the playing fields adjacent to the campground area.

Those using the group camping area are asked to clean up their area at the end of their stay and to leave the site as tidy as it was when they arrived. Picnic tables will not be available in the group area.

Campers are asked to park in an organized manner and leave access in and out of the area for any camping unit and to ensure access for emergency vehicles.

The Recreation Park campground is equipped with washroom and shower

facilities for the use of campers. Firewood is provided by the town for use only in designated fire pits. Digging holes for fire pits or any other purposes is prohibited in both campgrounds.

The Recreation Park campground has 17 power sites, while the River Park has four power and four non-power sites.

**Fire chief**

According to the town's bylaws, the fire department is to select a fire chief at each year's annual meeting, and to submit their recommendation to town council for approval. This was not done in 2015, and no name has been submitted to date in 2016. This matter was referred to the Fire Commission meeting on Aug. 3.

**Alcohol policy**

Town council approved a brand new policy that will prohibit the use of

alcohol in any town-owned or town-operated building, which is defined in the policy as "any place the town conducts business, including property, buildings, equipment, roads, facilities or vehicles, whether owned, leased or rented." The only exception is a public event approved by the town and with a provincial liquor license.

The policy applies to all full time, part time, temporary, casual, summer and seasonal employees and all volunteers, whether they are on the town's payroll or not, while they are engaged in Town of Elk Point business, working on or off town premises.

The policy was put in place as part of the town's commitment to providing a safe and healthy workplace for its employees.

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**Fire hose fun...**  
Last week, the gang took a trip to tour the Elk Point Fire Hall and some of us even got to try out the hose.



**.... Sun-baked S'Mores ...**  
It didn't take long for the sun to melt the chocolate chips for this yummy treat!  
Photos by Library Staff, Eric Upham and Vicki Brooker

### UPCOMING AUCTIONS

**Thursday, August 11, 2016 at 10:00 A.M.**  
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Anyone who witnesses serious public lands abuse can phone the 24-hour Report A Poacher line at **1-800-642-3800**.

Learn more at [aep.alberta.ca/plar-penalties](http://aep.alberta.ca/plar-penalties)

## 'Wild' summer at the Library

**KASSANDRA MOORES**  
SRP Coordinator

The Elk Point Municipal Library is having a 'Wild' summer with our TD Summer Reading Program.

We have still lots of adventures ahead of us, including our field trip to Whitney Lake Provincial Park and to St. Paul's Parallel Lanes for neon bowling and many more!

The County of St. Paul is hosting a science experiment day for all children between the ages 5-12. They will be doing this on Aug. 16 and 23 at 1 p.m..

The library will also be having our iPad Course return on Aug. 3, call in for more information.

In addition our annual book sale is coming up Aug. 15 so be sure to check out the great deals.

Furthermore, the library wants to thank everyone who has been donating their used books and DVD's to us.

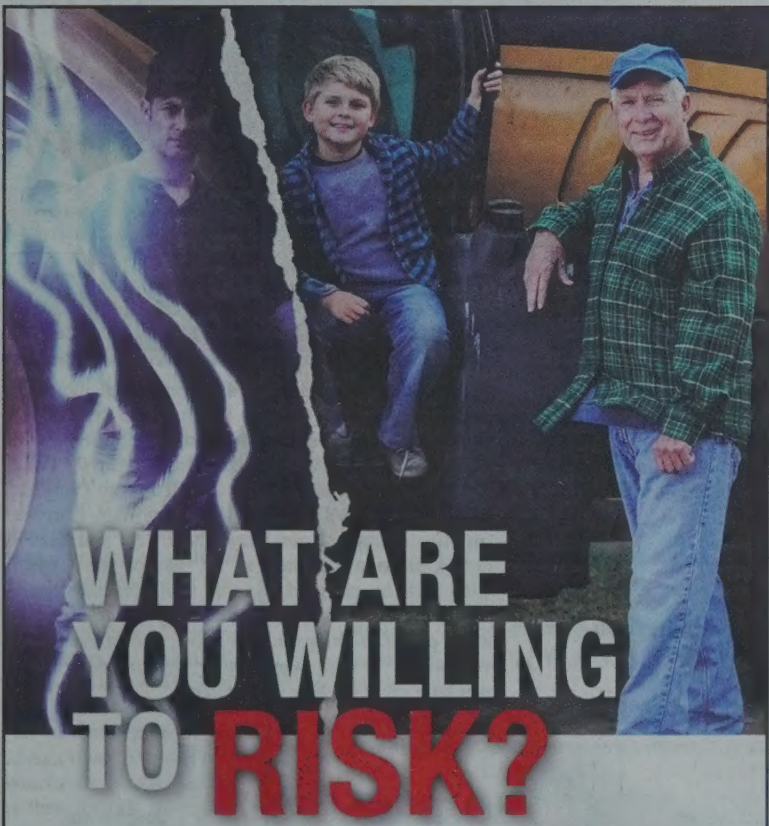
Thanks again and we hope everyone's summer is going great.





## Clowning and cuddling....

Everyone enjoyed visits from Sprinkles the Clown, above, and the Beaver River Watershed Alliance, who brought along the animal pelts below.



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## Public Notice To Electors of the Town of Elk Point

### BYLAW 752/16

#### SECTION 256(1) and 258(1) - THE MUNICIPAL GOVERNMENT ACT

Please be advised, the Town of Elk Point is changing the name Chamber of Commerce to ATCO Electric in Bylaw 752/16 to pay for the 4 street lights and power in Centennial Phase 2A-1 Residential Subdivision. The amount of the loan \$150,000.00 and \$1,600,000.00 for a total of \$1,750,000.00 remains the same.

The Town of Elk Point Council, in the Province of Alberta, has given first reading to borrowing By-Law 752/16 which will, upon final passage and approval, authorize the proper officers of the said Town to borrow monies from the Servus Credit Union by way of a loan, to borrow One Hundred and Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$150,000.00) for the ATCO Electric Power in Centennial Subdivision and One Million and Six Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$1,600,000.00) for Water Storage Facility for a total sum of One Million Seven Hundred and Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$1,750,000.00) to be repayable within ten (10) years.

The total cost of the aforesaid project and refinancing is to be borrowed on the credit and security of the municipality at large by the issue of a loan is \$1,750,000.00. The loan is to be repayable to the Service Credit Union over a ten (10) year period and do agree to pay interest thereon either in advance of or at maturity, and in either case after maturity until paid, at a floating prime 2.85% annum to the Credit Union, and such interest shall be calculated paid, at a floating prime 2.85% annum to the Credit Union, and such interest shall be calculated and due and payable semi-annually.

NOW THEREFORE NOTICE is hereby given by the Council of the Town of Elk Point that, unless a petition of the electors for a vote on By-Law 752/16 demanded, as provided for by the terms of Section 256(1) and 258(1) of the Municipal Government Act, the said Council may pass the said borrowing By-Law.

All persons interested are hereby notified and they are required to govern themselves accordingly. Copies of the proposed Bylaw's and related documents may be obtained from:

Town of Elk Point  
PO Box 448  
Elk Point, Alberta  
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780-724-3810

DATED at the Town of Elk Point, in the Province of Alberta, this 11<sup>th</sup> day of July, 2016.

#### Information for Electors

Pursuant to Section 1(i) if the Municipal Government Act an "elector" means

1. A person who is eligible to vote in the election for a councillor under the Local Authorities Election Act. Pursuant to Section 47(1) of the Local Authorities Election Act a person is eligible to vote in an election if he:

- (a) is at least 18 years old
- (b) is a Canadian citizen, and
- (c) has resided in Alberta for the 6 consecutive months immediately preceding election day and is resident in the area on election day.

A poll may be demanded in the Town of Elk Point by electors equal in number to at least

- (a) in case of a municipality other than summer village, by electors of the municipality equal in number to at least 10% of the population, in accordance with the provisions of Section 223 and Section 251 of the Municipal Government Act.

The petition for a vote must be received by the Chief Administrative Officer within 15 days of the last publication of this notice and shall contain on each page "an identical statement of the purpose of the petition". (Further requirements of the petition are provided in Section 224 of the Municipal Government Act.)

DATE of the last publication of this notice is the 2<sup>nd</sup> day of August, 2016.



EDITORIAL

# Five years of spray park fun

It's hard to believe that Elk Point's water spray park is already marking its fifth anniversary, and the enjoyment factor for local youngsters has not slowed down one bit.

Back in the day, there were those who thought it would be just a passing fancy, and that after the novelty wore off, nobody would use the facility. That certainly hasn't happened, and from the day it's turned on in the spring until the day it's shut down for the winter, there are always kids enjoying running through the spray produced by the various structures.

All the fundraising, all the planning and all the effort by the many volunteers that made the park possible were all worthwhile. It's been a huge success!

## RECREATION CORNER

# Early planning for next July 1

recreation@elkpoint.ca  
Review contributor

Every year, not too long after the red and white sparkle tattoos finally come off the children's faces, the Canada Day Committee meets to discuss the year's events and begin planning for next year.

At the wrap up meeting we discussed ways to help move the events along smoothly and plan for the possibility of rain at the pancake breakfast. We also welcomed new committee members, Melanie Poulin and Lana MacDonald.

Having new faces at the table is a vital part of keeping the committee fresh and full of new ideas, which is exactly what both ladies brought.

Since next year will mark Canada's 150th Birthday, the Committee has decided to start planning earlier than usual. Typically we break for winter and reconvene in January. This year we will only break for August and get back at it in September.

Some ideas that have been tossed around the table are to move the pancake breakfast to the arena. This way we will have the picnic tables at the top of the hill for the majority of the celebrations, as well as if it rains, we'll be covered. The kitchen would also be available which would make things easier on the Friends of the Library. Ultimately, it's up to the Library Board, which will have an answer for us in September.

Our next change up idea is to have Canada Day Idol during the afternoon. Now here's a tough question to ask - the committee wonders if the singing competition has become stale and after 10 years, should we try something new?

Some ideas for a new feature would be an open mic style and/or all ages talent show. We really want to hear from the public - what would you like to see?

Finally, the committee is looking into hosting a Small Town Saturday Night-style dance, a good ole beerfest if you will. The question is - will the public come? If the committee hosts the dance, and gets a rockin' band for you to dance the night away - will you attend?

Please email your thoughts to recreation@elkpoint.ca. Good or bad, trust me - you won't hurt our feelings, we truly want to know. What are you getting tired of? What else would you like to see at the celebrations?

We're always looking for more committee members and non-profit groups to get involved. Call/Text Jena if you are interested 780-207-5898.



## WAY BACK WHEN...

# Highway widening, water line and spray park opening

HERE'S THE NEWS THAT MADE THE HEADLINES OF THE LAKELAND REVIEW AND ELK POINT REVIEW FOR THE WEEK OF AUG. 2 IN...

### 1986

Elk Point's area would expand by one-third, with the annexation of the east half of SW 7-57-6-W4, east of the Industrial Subdivision, and the NW 1/4 -7-57-6-W4, located north of the Industrial Subdivision and the other new parcel. Mayor Ed Buck signed an agreement for the widening of Highway 41 from the town's north limits to the intersection of Highway 646.

### 1991

The new pipeline bringing water from the North Saskatchewan River also brought Elk Point the potential for green lawns and lush gardens, after years of water rationing when Atimoswe Creek could not meet the consumers' needs. Northern Lights Library System was poised for a move of its headquarters to Elk Point, but a new building funded with lottery money might not be a possibility, due to the "realities of the economy," said NLLS board member Adele Mandryk.

### 1996

Fire deemed to be of a "suspicious nature" gutted the family-owned Phil's Hardware just eight days after the business marked its 23rd anniversary. Elk Point Community Choir embarked on its four-country, five-concert European tour, which was two years in the planning.

### 2001

Faye Smith struck gold 55+ Ladies Bowling at the Alberta Seniors Games in Lethbridge, where Roland Gascon competed in running and Ernie Poitras in golf, while Elk Point Toe Tappers Florence Demchuk, Jeannette Frisby, Elaine Zayonce and Joan Palamarek presented a country dancing demonstration. Sid Holthe

was recognized by the Alberta Retired Teachers with the presentation of a life membership.

### 2006

Elk Point's self-styled economic development committee was ready for rebirth as the Elk Point Economic Development Advisory Board, as soon as town council gave second and third readings to a bylaw authorizing such a body. Serious sponge painting was underway at Elk Point Municipal Library, as Summer Reading Program youngsters decorated bag kites with superhero designs reflecting the year's theme, "Quest for Heroes."

### 2011



Elk Point Water Spray Park committee members Lynda Letwin and Shirley Harms held the ribbon snipped by excited and enthusiastic youngsters with Town Coun. Bernice Capjack, Mayor Parrish Tung, committee chair Valerie Lazicki, MLA Ray Danyluk, County of St. Paul Coun. Glen Ockerman, Lorraine Danyluk, County Coun. Dwight Dach and Reeve Steve Upham all excited to be part of the project, which will be enjoyed by area children and young visitors to the community for many years to come. A line of potholes along Railway Ave. and uneven sidewalks along 50 Ave. were among the concerns facing town council at its July 25 meeting.

The Elk Point Review publishes a variety of opinions as a contribution to debate on matters of public concern. Unsigned editorials express the view of this newspaper's editorial board which includes the Publisher and the Editor. Signed pieces express the view of the individual writer.

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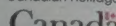
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## Elks charity assists children

The Elks and Royal Purple Fund for Children was established so members of the Order had a national instrument to complement their local charitable and community service efforts.

The national charity provides a unified focus and objective for the members and is a great source of pride among the Lodges.

The purpose of the Fund for Children is to provide financial assistance for the good and welfare of a child prior to attaining his/her 19th birthday when an application is sponsored by a Lodge, funding for programs that address the needs of children with hearing and speech disorders and charitable programs and services provided for and approved by the membership in the annual operating budget.

The national charity enables a Lodge to respond at any time to a child in their community with medical needs even if they do not have charitable funds in their own account. In this way, the national charity becomes a local charity.

Be accessing the Fund when necessary, Lodges can build their profile in the community as a caring organization and one worth joining. By donating to the Fund when they are able, Lodges contribute to an insurance policy of sorts for all Lodges to access in times of need.



## Local Elks attend national convention

Five members of Elk Point BPO Elks Lodge No. 460 attended the Elks of Canada National Convention in Fredericton, NB in July. Exalted Ruler Don Pilisko presented a cheque to Grand Exalted Ruler Dominic Leach for the Elks and Royal Purple Fund for Children, above, joining other lodges across the country to present a total of \$60,429.06 in donations that day. Above left, Lawrence Pidluzny, Don Pilisko, Mike Chubey and Don Brooker posed with the new Elks mascot (who we are told was Allan Berg in disguise). At left, Pilisko, Brooker, Berg, Chubey and Irene Pilisko (not shown, Rhonda Berg and Vicki Brooker) stopped to admire a big cannon in Fredericton's historic downtown.

Photos courtesy of Elk Point Elks Lodge

## OBITUARY

**KAPJACK, Mary (nee Palynchuk)**  
**June 11, 1922 -**  
**Gorlitz,**  
**Saskatchewan**  
**July 13, 2016 -**  
**Calgary, Alberta**



Mary Kapjack, of Calgary, AB, formerly of Heinsburg, AB, passed away on Wednesday, July 13, 2016 at the age of 94 years.

Mary grew up in the Lindbergh area, where her parents owned General Stores in Lindbergh, Heinsburg and Elk Point. Mary often told the story how scary it was, that every morning and before school her task was to carry water from the spring up on the hill, just East of Lindbergh and having to find and bring the cows down for milking. Mary finished secretarial school at Alberta College in Edmonton, and after marrying Louis, they bought the store in Heinsburg and operated this General Store and BA, Gulf, Petro Canada bulk gas sales from 1945 to 1976, as well as running a farm.

Mary was always interested in community events and what people were doing. She was an avid seamstress, loved cooking and gardening and would mechanic and carpenter when needed.

In the early years, spending Sunday at Whitney Lake sleeping in a tent, then a cabin, where Louis and Jonn would fish and water ski was one of her favorites, however she never would water ski herself. Her niece, Lillian remembers her as a great lady and business mentor from her time helping in the store and looking after her cousin Johnny. Her niece Ellen recalls visits to the store and lake and all the fun everyone had. Jonn remembers driving with his Mom to the piano teacher in Dewberry, especially when the snow was so deep a road was plowed through the fields. Keeping Jonn practising was a challenge as he would rather play ball. Mary's incredible spirit, encouraged others to challenge any task and carry on. After retiring from the store business she sewed many outfits for her granddaughter, and always used her favourite kitchen appliance, the bread maker. Mary always had a dog and cat team that travelled everywhere with her. When visiting her son and family, she would bake giant pizza cookies with Maryanna to take to school. Mary's joy was to tease and have fun. Later at assisted living, Nathan and Ivy visits were a special treat.

She is survived by her son Jonn Kapjack and his wife Fay (Sponholz), granddaughter Maryanna and her husband Sandor (Arendse) and great-grandchildren, Nathan and Ivy.

Mary was predeceased by her husband Louis (1972), a daughter at birth, her parents Annie (Surkan) and John Palynchuk, her sister Polly Winter, her brother Dan (Metro) Palynchuk.

As per Mom's, Baba's, Mary's request, no formal service will be held. Mary will be interred at St. John's Cemetery, Northern Valley, AB. Mary always said: "Enjoy yourself and don't mourn me: go dancing and enjoy yourself, visit me when I am here and not passed to ashes. When I am called up yonder, I will be there." Everyone who knew Mary, take her advice to heart, remember her smile and laughter then enjoy a day with your family.

Condolences may be forwarded through [www.mcinnisandholloway.com](http://www.mcinnisandholloway.com).

In living memory of Mary Kapjack, a tree will be planted at Fish Creek Provincial Park by McINNIS & HOLLOWAY FUNERAL HOMES, Chapel of the Bells, 2720 CENTRE STREET NORTH, Telephone: 403-276-2296.

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Albertans shouldn't have to pay for the losses of electricity companies.

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And, there is evidence the Enron clause was enacted unlawfully by the previous government and then deliberately withheld from the public.

The Government is asking the court to overturn the Enron clause and protect Albertans against an estimated \$2 billion in business losses over the next four years.

If successful, any additional electricity fees charged to the public due to the Enron clause will be refunded back to Albertans.

Albertans shouldn't be on the hook for a backroom deal that allows companies to collect the profits when power prices are high and hand consumers the losses when prices are low.

That's why the Government of Alberta is taking legal action – to protect Albertans.

Learn more at [powerpurchase.alberta.ca](http://powerpurchase.alberta.ca)

Alberta Government



# Public meeting to discuss underutilized fish stocks in NE Alberta set for Sept. 7

## INFORMATION SUBMITTED

For the past 16 years, many public lakes in Alberta have had zero catch limits on walleye and northern pike. Numerous anglers have expressed concern and are asking why not allow some fish to be caught and utilized by Albertans. Anglers want to have healthy fish stocks and still use the annual production.

Harvest of fish could be restricted by various ways, and there is a concern that nothing will be done in all of the lakes that seem to have abundant numbers of fish.

The public is invited to express concerns and ideas on Sept. 7 at Lac Bellevue Hall (on Hwy 881, located 12 miles south of St. Paul.)

Local MLAs, biologists, government personnel are invited to attend.

Discussion will not be limited, but will include the following lakes: Lac Bellevue, Kehewin, Bangs, Heart, Lac La Biche, Hilda, Ethel, Marie, Beaver, Floatingstone, Goodfish, Crane, Clear

(Barnes), Wabamun; Touchwood, Ironwood, Hope, Amisk, Gregoire, Laurier, Moose, Marie, Seibert, Winefred and numerous other lakes that have had zero or restricted catch limits for the past 16 years.

This is your chance to indicate your expectations as these are public lakes and publicly owned fish.

Local MLA's Dave Hanson and Scott Cyr will be attending. Local biologists and the Minister of Environment and Parks have also been invited.

Attend the meeting and voice your opinion.

It will be held Wednesday, Sept. 7 at 7 p.m. at Lac Bellevue Hall (located on Hwy 881, 12 miles south of St. Paul), Coffee and donuts will be provided

Supporting groups include Lac Bellevue Recreation and Agricultural Society, St. Paul Agricultural Society, St. Paul Fish and Game Association, Beaver River Fish and Game Association, Zone 5 Fish and Game Association.

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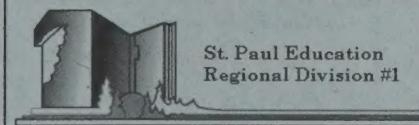
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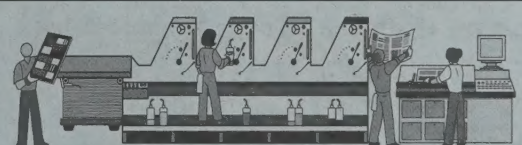
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**CEREMONIAL FIRST PITCH** by former Elk Point Minor Ball president Laverne Wilson bounces right above the plate to coach Darcy Pankiw.



**WILSON'S SUCCESSOR**, current Minor Ball president Dennell Anderson, told the opening ceremonies audience that Wilson's dedication and volunteerism kept minor ball alive and well in Elk Point when it dwindled elsewhere.



**IT'S A HIT** - One more for the Sox in Sunday's hard fought final.



**BEAUMONT BOSOX** and their hardworking bat boy took home the silver.

## Provincial gold for Sox

Baseball has been very, very good to me! The hardware just seems to keep piling up for the Sox. Just in case you haven't seen it already on Facebook, the Sox are the 2016 Bantam AA Tier 4 provincial champions in the first provincial final on the newly named Wilson Field. The new double decker, scorekeeper up top/concession booth down below, functions really well and turned out beautiful with the new sign out front.

Another gold medal, that's four gold medals and four silver medals in the last 13 years for the Sox teams after defeating Beaumont 13 to 12 in a dramatic final on Sunday at noon. The boys never make it easy on the old man's heart! The tying run on third base with two out, the count two balls, two strikes, rookie reliever Dalton '007' Reed would deliver a dark one right on the outside corner of the dish to seal the deal. A wild pitch or base hit and we would have had a tied ball game and who knows what might have happened. Dustyn 'Dust Pan' Pankiw, the MVP in all four games the boys played, would start the final game and go to 95 pitches. He came up huge all weekend at the plate, smashing two over the wall and a number of base hits.

The Sox easily won over Wainwright on Friday afternoon in the scorching heat, 11 to 0 in five innings, saving all their pitching staff for the next day. The next day was not so easy, the first game going the full seven innings, the Sox forced to burn up starter Corbin 'Crusher' Ockerman and going to Kaiden 'K Rock' Evans Anderson to finish the second game against St. Albert. 'Crusher' and 'K Rock' both going over the pitch count, were not eligible to pitch in Sunday's final. One of the Sox starters, Cody 'the Babe' Fairbairn, broke his ankle on Thursday and would watch the game from the dugout, painful for him because he is such a competitive player and making it a challenge for the coaching staff, losing a pitcher on the night before the big show.

It's never easy dealing with the pitch count; a coach has to really manage his pitchers and if you use them for over 35 pitches they aren't allowed to pitch the next day. People ask all the time. "Why did so and so not get pulled and saved for the next day?" Sure, you can save a pitcher for tomorrow, but you may not make it to tomorrow, pulling him at the wrong time and taking a chance on kid with not enough experience could be disastrous. The other team starts hitting, we make a few errors and you may not win the game and it's all over. No second chances and no games on Sunday. And getting to the gold medal game is what it's all about. After that everything is a bonus, and speaking from my personal experience, a gold

medal sure feels a whole lot better than silver. Just ask the Beaumont boys. But silver is still a lot better than going home with nothing at all

The four veterans at the top of the batting order, Brayden 'Magnet' Fairbairn, 'K Rock', 'Dust Pan' and 'Crusher' all hit the ball like we knew they could, singles, doubles,

triples and a few dingers from the MVP; but the nice surprise was the first year guys, rookies who struggled with the curve ball, guys who could never get on base sure came thorough big time this weekend like we hoped they would, Graham 'Uncle Cracker' Broda getting the heart and hustle in two of the games, coming up with huge running catches in center field, laying down sac bunts but still getting on base, in fact all the way around once on a bunt on a overthrow to first - he just kept on motor. Grady 'Gravy Train' Frazer with a couple of base hits and RBI's at the right time, Hank 'the Tank' Rogal with a few spectacular fielding plays on second and some unorthodox base stealing but still managed to get there most of the time. 'Ty Cobb' Smereka making contact a few times too, and a few huge run saving catches in the outfield, 'Willy' Johnson with a monster foul ball and a big base hit in the third game, Colton 'Big Mac' McLean doing the same,

A big thank you to coach and minor ball president Dennell Anderson for going the extra mile to make this a special tournament, running all over getting goodie bags and t-shirts for every player and coach, and sweet talking her daddy-o to work on the diamonds with his bobcat a number of times too. Thanks to my two best buddies, Marshall 'Little Beaver' Myshaniuk and Laverne Wilson who always help maintain the diamonds, year in year out. To all the Sox parents for working the concession, scorekeeping and pitch count and especially to Tad Reed who donated a brand new BBQ to minor ball for the new mini concession. Tad also spent a lot of time repairing fences etc. To Breanne Greening for doing the programs on short three-day notice, and to Bonnie Fairbairn, my assistant manager, for looking after all the small details like writing the line up so the umpire could read it and collecting cheques, not just this weekend, every weekend we had ball. Thanks to comical commentator Brian Poitras for the great play-by-play. And to Sox coach Darcy Pankiw for running the boys through the drills and skills and getting the most out of them. And finally, thanks to the boys of summer for making this another very special ball season.

And now for the K. A. Campbell quote of the week. 'Winning isn't everything, its the only thing.'



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Review Sports

## Property damaged for a second time

### ELK POINT RCMP

Sometime between 10:30 p.m. on July 19, 2016 and 7:15 a.m. on July 20, 2016 an Elk Point resident who lives on 52nd Avenue had their flower pots smashed for the second time this summer. The Elk Point RCMP are continuing to look into the matter.

Sgt B. LaRocque, Detachment Commander for the Elk Point RCMP, believes that the culprits are likely young people that are walking around at night and have no regard for people's personal property.

If anyone has information about the culprits who perpetrated this mischief they are asked to contact the Elk Point RCMP at 780-724-3964.

## Wilson

(Continued from Front Page)

Elk Point Minor Ball president Dennell Anderson said Wilson learned volunteering at an early age, at his mother's insistence, and has never stopped. As a coach, "anyone on Mr. Wilson's team always came home with a full belly, some good stories and a lesson on life in general. He taught (her son) Kaiden to volunteer, recruiting him and his friends to help with the bounce castle on

Canada Day."

As the previous minor ball president, 'Wilson kept the organization going when interest waned, "and always kept costs low" so everyone could participate, she said.

"He has the heart of a true volunteer, and says, 'It's for the kids to get out there and enjoy.'"

As a plaque on the new timekeeper/concession building was unveiled, she added, "that's why this diamond is now named Wilson Field."

